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City temples pray for Rains

Minister D.K. Shivakumar leads prayers at Sri Rishya Shringeshwara Temple in Chikkamagaluru

Chamundeshwari Temple Chief Priest Dr. Shashishekar Dikshit and others performing pujas to appease Rain God Varuna at the Temple atop Chamundi Hill this morning. Picture right shows Shringeri MLA T.D. Rajegowda, Ministers D.K. Shivakumar and P.T. Parameshwar Naik performing rituals at Rishya Shringeshwara Temple.

Mysuru, June 6 (MTY&BCT)- The sound of Vedic hymns, chanting of mantras accompanied by beating of drums and ringing of bells reverberated from all the Muzarai temples across the State this morning as temples followed the Government directive to conduct pujas and yagnas to appease Rain God Varuna.

The Government, in its move to take any possible measures to end drought, ordered the Religious and Charitable Endowments Department (commonly known as Muzarai Department) to conduct *'Parjanya Japa'* during *Braahmi Muhurtha* at all temples within its jurisdiction today.

Accordingly in Mysuru, the rituals were performed at Chamundi Temple atop the Chamundi Hill, Trinayaneshwara Swamy Temple at Mysore Palace premises, Tripurasundari Jwalamukhi Temple at Uthanahalli, Nanjangud Srikanteshwara Swamy Temple, Sriranganathaswamy Temple and Nimishamba Temple at Srirangapatna.

Likewise, pujas were performed at Gunja Narasimhaswamy Temple and Agasthyeshwara Swamy Temple at T. Narasipur, Talakadu Temple and Mudukuthore Temple. There are over 1,500 Muzarai temples in Mysuru district and pujas were performed at prominent temples in district and taluk headquarters.

At the Chamundi Temple, rituals were led by Chief Priest Dr. Shashishekar Dikshit and pujas began as early as 5 am at the Homa Kunda in temple premises. Rituals started with *Ganapathy Puja, Punyaha, Kalasha Sthapane, Agni Janana* and *Parjanya Japa* and concluded with *Varuna Homa*. All the rituals were held in *Braahmi Muhurtha*. The *'Parjanya Japa'* was chanted 108 times.

Rituals across the State were held under the supervision of respective temple Executive Officers and interestingly, Muzarai Department had deputed officers to monitor the pujas. Temples were allowed to take Rs. 10,001 from the donation boxes towards the rituals.

Elsewhere in the State, pujas were performed at Kigga Shiva Temple in Sringeri, Chikkamagaluru District and Belagavi's Savadatti (Saundatti) Yellamma Temple. Karnataka Minister and Congress leader D.K. Shivakumar offered special pujas at Sri Rishya Shringeshwara Temple in Chikkamagaluru district praying for good rainfall.

(See TEMPLES on page 8)

Mysuru among 8 districts on high alert for Nipah virus

Mysuru, June 6 (RK&SR)- Eight districts in the State including Mysuru have been put on a high alert and maximum surveillance for Nipah virus. This comes after a case from Kerala came to light. Chamarajanagar, Mysuru, Kodagu, Dakshina Kannada, Uttara Kannada, Udupi, Shivamogga and Chikkamagaluru have been identified as districts that are vulnerable and additional measures have been taken in these districts.

An Inter-Departmental Coordination Committee with representatives from the Veterinary

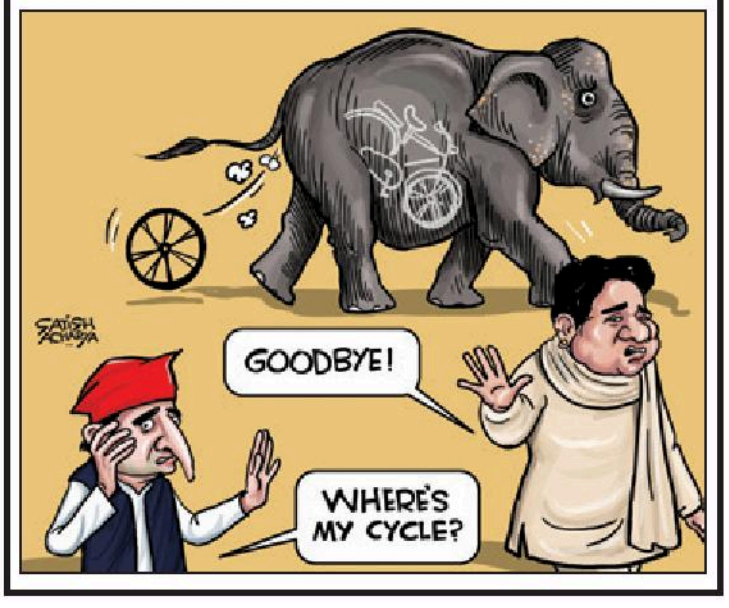
Department has been ordered to be formed at the district-level in all these places. The Department of Health and Family Welfare has also mandated that these districts give a daily outbreak report regarding Nipah.

In Kerala, seven people have been kept in ICU and more than 300 people were quarantined causing concern about possibility of its spread to neighbouring States.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, District Health Officer Dr. Venkatesh said that Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme under the Directorate of Health and Family Welfare issued a circular on June 4 directing the districts to take all preventive steps to prevent any outbreak.

(See NIPAH on page 8)

STAR PUNCH By Satish Acharya



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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.
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Mysuru, Thursday 6th June 2019

Calling for *creativity*

The numbers, natures and levels of the problems bugging the individuals, their families, society's different sections and the nation, not to ignore the world at large, seem to be witnessing an unrelenting increase, adding to those remaining unaddressed or unresolved by the affected parties concerned, without meaning to deny the attempts and efforts to identify and solve them, some to their logical end, some others left midway and the rest in status quo. Readers of dailies don't need to be reminded about Mysuru's residents aghast at the piquant situation resulting in misery beyond words due to the various civic problems bugging them in daily life defying redemption, some of which are their own *creation* and the rest that have pushed the civic authorities and its workforce to their wits' end. Instances of solutions to specific problems of the city, some of them described as quick-fix solutions, proving not-upto-the-mark and even worse than the problems cross one's mind in a flash (widening of roads to facilitate automobiles move safely by chopping life-supporting trees).

The lament by litterateurs commanding recognition and respect in society as well as academics in informed circles, highlighting paucity of literary works of exemplary quality and lack of creativity in theses submitted for doctorate degrees in various subjects doesn't seem to have stirred debates in public domain to the extent of triggering measures to address the two issues.

Different situations, driving one to the proverbial tight corner inspire (or should inspire) one to seek ingenious solutions, as the English proverb *'Necessity is the mother of invention'* goes, not to forget that it requires wisdom to differentiate between the *necessary* and the *unnecessary*. A Chinese saying that one who knows the answer to *why* is the master of one who knows the answer to *what*. One has reason to feel gratified that we are endowed with the faculty of not only recognising our problems spelling out their dimensions and intensely feeling the urge to solve them. The subsequent action requiring *out-of-the-box* racking our brains is where we seem to be stuck, barring exceptions.

Clarion calls have been often given by the land's cognoscenti for people to imbibe scientific temperament. A greater and more rewarding faculty that merits to be nurtured is *creativity*, which doesn't have to be an exclusive zone of intelligence sourced to schooling. Think of the thousands of anonymous grandmas of a distant past but for whose creativity we would not have any of the delectable dishes that send us to an ecstatic world.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The enforcement of the Election Commission of India's (ECI) model code of conduct has created a different kind of problem for some Government officials in Madhya Pradesh. The ECI is quite sensitive about complaints related to the political affiliation of Government officers. The District Collector of Umaria and Superintendent of Police of Singrauli have been transferred because their relatives are prominent figures in local politics. The Bharatiya Janata Party had filed a written complaint against both. *—In Business Standard*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Mouth-shaped coin purse freaks people

Tokyo: A Japanese amateur artist has been creating an ultra realistic coin purse shaped like a human mouth which is freaking out people. The purse with stubble beard, soft pink lips and even realistic teeth and gums, is designed by Japanese music producer and amateur artist 'Doooo' is one of freakiest things. Not only does it look like the lower half of a man's face, but it even opens up like a human mouth, revealing ultra-realistic teeth and pink, wet-looking gums. It looks like the fake flesh of an advanced android, but it's actually a coin purse, which is somehow even more bizarre.

Doooo unveiled his unusual creation on June 1, showing it off to his fans in a short Twitter video that went viral almost instantly. The clip has over 12 million views.

Japan's first virtual male influencer

Tokyo: A Japanese tech company that specialises in blending the digital world with our reality, has created Japan's first virtual male influencer, a young music producer named Liam Nikuro. Following the success of digital social media stars like Miquela and Imma, a Japanese tech start-up set out to create the Asian country's first virtual male model. The result of their hard work is Liam Nikuro, a young heart-throb "from Los Angeles" who reportedly works in some of the coolest and most profitable industries of our time – music, fashion, and entertainment.

He's a lot more realistic-looking than Miquela, the hottest virtual influencer on Instagram right now, but he still has a long way to go to reach her 1.6 million fans, so his looks can only take him so far.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What's the latest in cancer research?

Stanford Researchers injected two immune boosters into a mouse's tumour. The treatment destroyed the tumour, then went on to destroy all other cancerous tumours in the mouse's body. Repeating the test, all cancers were destroyed in 87 out of 90 mice.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Online recruitment
of Anganwadi Workers, Helpers

Mysuru, June 6 (SR)- The Department of Women and Child Welfare has invited applications to fill eight vacant posts of Anganwadi workers, nine mini Anganwadi workers and 137 Helpers under Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) in Mysuru district on honorarium basis.

Those eligible may apply online through the website: *www.anganwadirecruit.kar.nic.in* before July 2 (5 pm). For details, contact Ph: 0821- 2495432 or 2498031, according to a release from the Dy. Director of Women and Child Welfare.

The Mysuru Rural Child Development Programme Officer has also invited applications for recruitment of one vacant Anganwadi worker post and 15 Helpers under ICDS on honorarium basis.

Candidates may apply via *www.anganwadirecruit.kar.nic.in* before July 2. For details, call Ph: 0821- 2567940.

Pratibha Puraskar for children of construction workers

Mysuru, June 6- Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre, has invited applications from meritorious children of construction workers in and around Mysuru who have passed and scored above 70% marks in SSLC and PUC (2018-2019) to present Pratibha Puraskar.

Eligible students may submit application along with a photocopy of marks card, passport size photograph, correspondence address along with contact number, at BAI, Mysuru Centre, No.34/D, Akkamahadevi Road, Vishweshwaranagar, 2nd Stage, Industrial Suburb, Mysuru - 08.

Last date to apply is June 30. Pratibha Puraskar presentation ceremony will be held on July 10 at Mysuru Builders Charitable Trust (MBCT) auditorium, Mysuru. For details, contact Mob: 98451-82053 or 94483-42516, according to a press release.

Really...?

- ***Although its name starts with "German," German chocolate cake is in no way related to Germany. The cake's origin dates back to 1852 when baker Samuel German, an American, developed a new type of dark chocolate to be used for baking by the Baker's Chocolate Company. The product was named "Baker's German's Sweet Chocolate" in honour of Samuel German.***

On June 3, 1957, a recipe called the "German's Chocolate Cake" appeared in The Dallas Morning News as the recipe of the day.

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VOICE OF THE READER

Bus Shelter needed near Gun House Circle

Sir,

I endorse the views of N. Devarajan of Nanjangud *(Star of Mysore* dated May 15) on the need for Bus Shelters near Devaraj Urs bridge (Nanjangud). Same is the case at the Gun House Circle in Mysuru.

Sans any shelter, presently people bound for Nanjangud side are forced to stand in the open exposing themselves to sun and rain.

After road widening on this stretch, there is enough space to construct a small bus shelter on the eastern side of the road (Dasara Exhibition side).

On behalf of hundreds of commuters, I appeal to the authorities concerned to look into this and build a shelter at this spot too. Isn't it the bounden duty of civic bodies to identify such things and provide the required facility without waiting for a complaint / representation from the public?

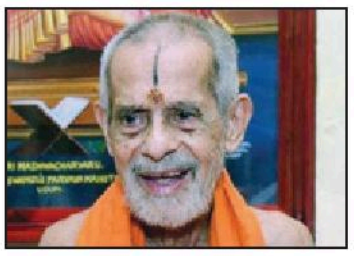
—D. Raghu,
BE (Student)

Mysuru
21.5.2019

Ram Mandir construction certain at Ayodhya: Pejawar Seer

Ballari, June 6- Pejawar Adhokshaja Mutt Seer Sri Vishwesha Theertha Swamiji has expressed confidence that Ram Mandir will be constructed at Ayodhya by the time the BJP-led Government at the Centre completes its second term.

Speaking to reporters at Sri Krishna Mutt here, he said the Mandir will be constructed after the Government secures a majority in Rajya Sabha. The Supreme Court is also likely to deliver judgement in favour of the construction of the temple. Hence, the construction of Ram Mandir is certain this time, he added.



Sri Vishwesha Theertha Swamiji

According to him, the temple and the mosque can co-exist in Ayodhya, but the mosque should be at a distance from the temple to avoid any dispute. "I stand by my view that Ram Mandir should be built in Ayodhya. However, it has to be done according to rules. The Parliament and Constitution are the ultimate authorities," he said.

About West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee's support to migrants from Bangladesh, he said, "Mamata Banerjee is into anti-national activities. She should not get angry. Even I am not happy with this."

The Seer said BJP has regard for the Constitution and it is also a Secular Party. It is regrettable that the confusion over the majority still continues in the State Government. The political parties should join hands together and strive to provide good administration to the people.

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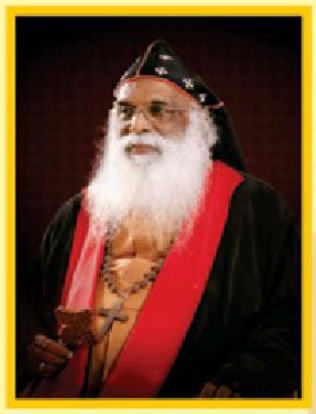

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The pristine city of Mysore awaits to be blessed by the visit of Joseph Mar Thoma, the superior leader of Mar Thoma Syrian Church! The city aspires to be enchanted by his holy presence and prepares herself for the great historical event!!.

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The Mar Thoma Church, often shortened from Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian Church is an Eastern Syrian Christian Reformed, Oriental, evangelical and missionary Church based in India. Along with other traditional churches of Kerala it had its origin from the evangelization of St. Thomas, the apostle of Jesus Christ. The Church is at present blessed and headed by Most Rev. Dr. Joseph Mar Thoma Metropolitan who is the 21st Malankara Metropolitan to occupy the Holy Apostolic Throne of St. Thomas. Joseph Mar Thoma was installed to divine designation on 2nd October, 2007. The church is 'Apostolic' in origin,' Universal in nature, 'Biblical 'in faith, 'Evangelical' in principle,'Ecumenical in outlook, 'Oriental 'in worship, 'Democratic' in function and Episcopal in character.

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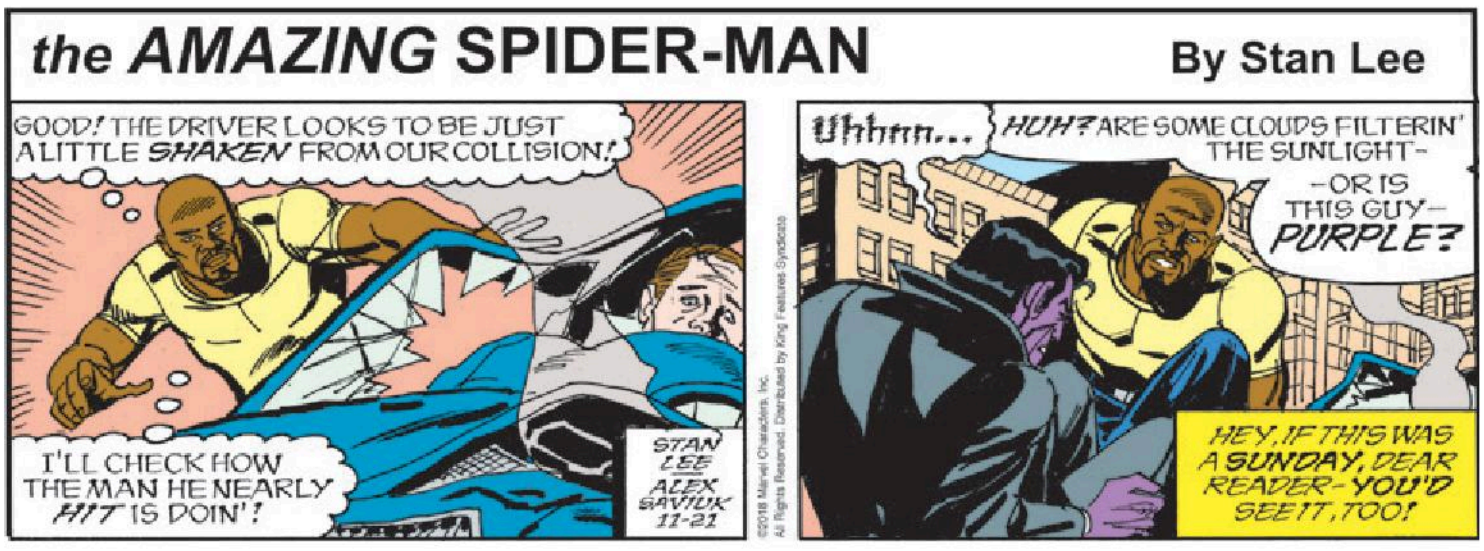
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NEWS BRIEFS

MCC meeting

The general meeting of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) will be held on June 7 at 3 pm at Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar auditorium in MCC premises here, according to a press release from the MCC Council Secretary.

Kannada Bhasha Awards

Kannada Bhasha Madhyama Prashasti 2018-19, instituted by Kannada Development Authority, Bengaluru, will be presented on June 9 at 10.30 am at a function to be held at Kalamandira here. District Minister G.T. Devegowda will inaugurate the programme. Tourism Minister S.R. Mahesh will present the awards. Kannada Development Authority Chairman Prof. S.G. Siddaramaiah will deliver the introductory address. Senior litterateur Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar (CPK) will speak on the occasion. MLA L. Nagendra will preside.

Apply online for ITI course

JSS Industrial Training Institute (ITI), Tandya, Nanjangud taluk, has invited online applications from eligible candidates for admission to ITI course in fitter, electrician and electronic mechanic trades. The eligible students can apply online via the Department of Employment and Training website www.det.emptrg.kar.nic, till June 15. The candidates must have passed SSLC and be in the age group of 16 to 40 years. Seats are also available under management quota, for which admissions will be made on first-come-first-serve basis. For details, call Ph: 08221-223095 or Mob:96866-77276.

Coaching for M.Com entrance test

A one-day coaching class for girl students seeking M.Com admissions in University of Mysore will be held on June 10 at Government First Grade College for Women at Vijayanagar in city. Interested may contact Mob: 97409-75363, stated a press release.

Hostel admission

Veerashaiva Anathalaya Trust, Ramanuja Road, has invited applications from poor Veerashaiva community students from rural areas for admission to its hostel (2019-20). The students should have enrolled for PUC, first B.A., B.Sc., B.Com, BBM courses and must have scored at least 50 percent marks in their previous exam. The last date for applying is June 15. The selection will be made at an interview to take place at the Hostel Office at 10 am on June 23. For details, contact Mob: 99166-50106.

Operation Fast Track

Two-wheeler lifter, mobile phone thief arrested

Two scooters, three mobile phones worth Rs.1.18 lakh recovered

Mysuru, June 6 (KS)- Ashokapuram Police, while conducting Operation Fast Track on Hunusemara Road in Srirampura 2nd Stage on June 4, took into custody a person on a Honda Activa scooter, who was moving in a suspicious manner for questioning.

During interrogation, the man, identified as 24-year-old Prasanna of Nellur Pala in Hunsur, informed the Cops that he had stolen two-wheelers and mobile phones in Ashokapuram Police limits, following which the Police arrested him.

Based on the information provided by accused Prasanna, the Police have recovered one Honda Activa and one Suzuki Swish scooters, one Moto G, one Honor and one Samsung mobile phones, all worth about Rs.1.18 lakh, from him.

DCP M. Muthuraj and K.R. Sub-Division ACP Gopalakrishna T. Nayak supervised KR Inspector Ananthapadmanabha and staff Mahadevaiah, Anand, Raghavendra, Girish, Shivaprakash, Raju and Jagadish, in the nabbing and recovery operation.

Elderly person among three go missing from city

M.R. Balakrishna

Shekar

Kaushik

Mysuru, June 6 (KS)- In separate incidents, an elderly person is among three others who have gone missing from city.

In the first incident, 67-year-old **M.R. Balakrishna**, who left his house at Siddivinayaka Block, Teachers Layout, on May 28 at about 7 pm, has since gone missing. Balakrishna is suffering from Parkinson's disease and is unable to speak properly.

A retired Bank Manager, Balakrishna is 5.6 ft. tall, oily red complexioned, normal built, speaks Kannada and English and was wearing a pink colour checks shirt and black track pant at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about the missing person may contact Alanahalli Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418318.

In the second incident, 31-year-old **Shekar**, who left his house at Halli Bogadi here on May 29 between 1 am and 2 am, has since gone missing.

He is 5.5 ft. tall, dark complexioned and speaks Kannada and Tamil languages.

Those having any information, may contact Saraswathipuram Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418123, according to a press release from Indramma, Assistant Sub-Inspector (ASI), Saraswathipuram Police Station, Mysuru.

In the third incident, 25-year-old **Kaushik**, a resident of Basaveshwara Road, who left his home on Apr. 6 after a fight with his father, has since gone missing. He had called his mother over the phone on May 1 and informed her that he would not be coming home.

Kaushik is 5.6 ft. tall, oval faced, oily red complexioned, has burn marks on both his arms, speaks Kannada and was wearing a blue colour T-Shirt and black jeans pant at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about Kaushik may contact K.R. Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418319 or 2418519, according to a press release from the Station House Officer, K.R. Police Station, Mysuru.

Information pertaining to the above missing persons may also be given by calling Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

Youth nabbed for stealing gold chain, mobile phone

Mysuru, June 6 (RK&KS)- City Crime Branch (CCB) Police have arrested a youth on charges of stealing a gold chain and a mobile phone and have recovered a gold chain and an iPhone worth about Rs.1.04 lakh from him.

The arrested is 20-year-old Mudasir Khan, a resident of Usmania Block 17th Cross at Ghousia Nagar in city.

During interrogation, the CCB Police came to know that Mudasir had stolen the gold chain from a car near Bommur Gate in Srirangapatna taluk and a case was registered at Srirangapatna Police Station in this regard.

Following chain-snatching incidents in city recently, a team led by CCB Inspector C. Kiran Kumar was formed and the team was able to nab Mudasir.

ASI Chandregowda and staff C. Chikkanna, Ramaswamy, M.R. Ganesh, Rajendra, Niranjan, Anand, Anil, Prakash, Chandrashekar and others took part in the nabbing and recovery operation.

MCC Comr. seeks clarity in deputation and attendance of civic workers

Mysuru, June 6 (SPN&US)- MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag has expressed displeasure over the deployment of Pourakarmikas and maintenance of attendance.

She was reacting to a complaint made by a member at the Council Advisory Committee meeting held yesterday at the MCC premises here as a prelude to the MCC Council Meeting to be held tomorrow.

Shilpa alleged that the details of Pourakarmiks deputed to each Ward and the attendance details sought by her has not been furnished by the officials concerned which she claimed as sheer negligence deserving action.

The meeting decided to recommend installation of drinking water unit at B.B. Garden School, drainage construction near Shankara Mutt, implementation of various beneficiary schemes and partial release of fund for medical expenses of a MCC D-Group employee incurred at a private hospital.

A total of 48 Docking Stations have been built across the city for Trin Trin - Public Bicycle Sharing System at a cost of Rs.20.52 crore. The meeting decided to seek advertisements through Tourism Department to be displayed at these Docking Stations and to utilise the revenue generated out of it for the Trin Trin project.

Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath chaired the meeting. Deputy Mayor Shafi Ahmed and former Mayors were present.

Makkandur Panchayat withdraws order banning Home Stay bookings

A file photo of a Home Stay that was washed away last year.

Madikeri, June 6 (UNI)-The Panchayat Development Officer (PDO) of Makkandur Gram Panchayat in Kodagu has withdrawn the directive issued to the Home Stays against accepting bookings from tourists as a safety measure ahead of the monsoon.

Over 21 Home Stays and one Resort in Makkandur were served with notices by Makkandur Panchayat not to operate their guest facility till Aug. 31 as the place is prone to landslides. The notice further warned Home Stay and Resort owners that if the orders are violated, they will be solely responsible for tourist safety in case of a repeat natural calamity.

The directive had led to anxiety among tourists over their safety, although it was confined to Home Stays in Makkandur Gram Panchayat. Stakeholders of the tourism industry, especially the hospitality sector, had objected to the announcement as they feared such a step would drastically affect tourism.

In a letter to Vikas Achaiah, President, Home Stays' Association, Kodagu, the PDO said the warning issued against bookings had been withdrawn. The Panchayat told the Association to ask its members to take all necessary precautions if the intensity of rains goes up in the coming days.

DC clarifies: Meanwhile, Kodagu Deputy Commissioner Annies Kanmani Joy has clarified that the District Administration has not issued a blanket ban on tourist visit to Kodagu during monsoon. In a press statement, the DC has clarified that no such order has been issued as of now.

Only Makkandur Gram Panchayat has issued such notice as the village is prone to landslides and the notice has now been withdrawn. "As of now there is no tourist ban. Once the rain starts and depending on the intensity of rain we will take a decision later," she said.

Stop using metallic ladders in coffee estates: Kodagu DC

Madikeri, June 6- The Kodagu District Administration has said that 35 workers in coffee estates and plantations have died of electrocution in the last four-and-a-half years. This has been attributed to the practice of using specially-fabricated metallic ladders, which tend to be up to 30 feet high, to reach tree tops for pruning.

But there is an additional danger of the ladder coming in contact with electricity lines and leading to electrocution. Kodagu DC Annies Kanmani Joy has called for eschewing the use of such ladders in coffee estates and plantations. The Deputy Commissioner has appealed to all coffee planters and estate owners to procure ladders made of fibre or bamboo.

There were six deaths due to electrocution reported during April and May this year. While three persons died in Aruvathokkalu village near Gonikoppal in April, three other workers died in May in Doddapulikotu village in Napoklu.

Three PU students drown in Cauvery near Kushalnagar

Kushalnagar, June 6- Three Pre-University students drowned when they went for a swim in River Cauvery at Madapatna near Kushalnagar in Kodagu district yesterday.

Police said that the deceased were identified as 20-year-old Akash, 19-year-old Gagan and 21-year-old Shashank. They were studying Commerce in Government Junior College, Madikeri and they had came to their friend's house in Kushalnagar on the eve of Ramzan festival.

While Akash is the son of Ramesh of Ukkuda village, Gagan is son of Cheluvaraju from Mans Compound and Shashank is the son of Umesh from Mekeri.

Nine Commerce students of the College had been to their friend Mansoor's house in Kushalnagar on the occasion of *Eid-ul-Fitr* yesterday. After the meal, they went to Mansoor's aunt's house at Madapatna. But Akash, Gagan and Shashank went on a bike to swim in Cauvery River.

The Police said the three went for a swim around 12 noon but were trapped in a swirl and drowned. The incident came to light when Mansoor and other friends who came by bus, visited the river. Police said that when Akash, who first went for a swim started drowning, the other two friends jumped into the water only to save him but all the three met a watery grave.

All the three bodies have been fished out and handed over the family members. Kushalnagar Police visited the spot and a case has been registered in this connection.

Obituary

B. Nagaraju

Nanjangud, June 6- B. Nagaraju (75), a resident of the town, passed away yesterday afternoon at his residence. He was the brother of litterateur Kalale Guruswamy.

He leaves behind his wife, one son, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at his native place yesterday evening, according to family sources.

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Decoding Mythology

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Love for Notre Dame

Notre Dame means Our Lady in French. Though popular as a name for the most famous Parisian Church, which recently caught fire, it refers generally to Mary, Mother of Jesus, who plays an important role in Catholic mythology and in medieval European history.

The New Testament of the Bible mentions that, before her marriage, Mary was told that she was chosen by God to be the vessel through which the Son of God would be born on Earth. Though a virgin, she conceived and became the mother of Jesus. This idea of the virgin birth is critical to Christianity. It establishes Jesus as Christ, the anointed one, chosen by God, to enlighten humanity that they have been forgiven for the sin committed long ago, in Eden, by the first man and the first woman. While many scholars have traced Jesus to a historical figure who lived around 2,000 years ago, his popularity in the Christian world comes from the mythology of being born of a virgin. This idea of virgin birth is found even in Islamic traditions.

About 1,500 years ago, the Roman Empire adopted Christianity as its official religion, as a strategic move to keep its people together. Shortly thereafter, the idea was proposed that Mary should be venerated alongside Jesus, as she was no ordinary woman but the Mother of God. This idea of celebrating and venerating Mary is a primarily Catholic practice and is rejected by the Protestant Church that rose 500 years ago. It preferred to focus on God and Jesus and argued that the worship of the Virgin Mother had nothing to do with the Gospels and was a remnant of ancient pagan fertility practices such as worshipping the Egyptian Goddess Isis and her son Horus.

Around a thousand years ago, when the Crusades were being fought between the Christian and Islamic worlds over control of the Holy Land, especially the city of Jerusalem, we find several stories of the knight-in-shining-armour and of courtly love, of men who went into battle, defeating dragons and fighting on behalf of women, who they loved deeply. But their love was 'pure', meaning non-sexual, involving the spirit, not flesh. This idea of pure love, in which a man fought on behalf of a woman, submitting to her completely and unconditionally, was very popular with the bards of the time. It became a model to the various celibate monks, who fought in the Holy Land, such as the Knights Templar, who fought on behalf of Mother Mary, Our Lady, Notre Dame. It is the model found in 007 films, in which James Bond is willing to do anything for Queen and country.

In this period of Crusades, the famous Notre Dame Church was built in Paris, as much for Mary as for Jesus and God. After the French Revolution, which valued liberty and equality and rejected the 'Divine right of Kings,' around 300 years ago, this Church was completely desecrated by rational and secular forces, who replaced the image of Mother Mary with that of the Lady of Justice. Statues of Biblical Kings were beheaded because they were assumed to be local Kings, who the revolutionaries hated. Later, the Church was returned to the clergy and has since remained an important symbol of not just Paris, but Europe's Catholic legacy.

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Are you HAPPY at what you are doing?

By N.K.A. Ballal,
Retd. Sr. Vice-President, ITDC

Class Tenth: A teacher walked into the class and told, *"Today, there will be no studies. I am going to give each of you a blank paper. The subject I want you to write is: What do you want to be in life?"*

Ballal

Some of you may want to be scientists, engineers, doctors, hoteliers or entrepreneurs too. I also want you to briefly write as to why you want to be in that profession you have chosen.

She distributed the blank papers to the class and asked them to start writing. Every one in the class was busy writing except a boy called Rahul, who was just sitting and watching others write. After half-an-hour, she collected the papers from all students but was curious to know what Rahul had written. He had written only one sentence: ***"I want to be HAPPY."***

She called him and told him: *"Rahul, I think you misunderstood the question,"* to which Rahul answered back: *"Madam, I think you have misunderstood life. If you had asked what profession do you want to do in future, I would have answered it truthfully, but you asked what do you want to be in life? And my answer is I want to be* ***happy in life.*** *Am I wrong?"*

The teacher was stunned.

Even the King of Bhutan was ridiculed when he introduced Gross National Happiness [GNH] as the measure of measuring the success of the country instead of GDP, as done all over. But he persisted with a strong belief that ultimately happiness and contentment counted the most.

Now this concept has been accepted by even the UN and most of the countries make an evaluation of their governance and citizens happiness based on this concept.

At least in the present times, most of the parents do allow their wards the freedom of choosing their own careers at least in metro cities. A decade back, parents used to lay down their rules and ask their children to study what they wanted them to do. Doctors expected their children to become doctors. "What do I do with such a huge setup?" was the common refrain. Even politicians have started the new trend of expecting their children to follow them in politics. Their happiness be damned.

In my Kovalam (Kerala) posting, a young man in white *kurtha* once came into my office and asked me to allow my Officers to undergo a yoga course offered by the Isha Foundation. The yoga classes were to be held in the city of Trivandrum, nearly 16 kms away. The fees was nominal and I promised him that I would nominate some officers for the course.

However, I was very intrigued and impressed by his presentation and manners so I asked him as to his educational qualification. He smiled and kept quiet. I got more curious and so persisted.

He said, *"Sir, I have done my B.Tech from IIT Kanpur and MBA from IIM, Ahmedabad. I ran my own company for six years. One fine day I decided that this was it — handed over my company to my family and here I am teaching yoga for Rs. 500 a month."* For a moment I did not know how to react. With a qualification that people dream about, he was happily teaching and propagating yoga all over the country, sleeping on floor and getting a stipend of Rs. 500.

I asked him as to how many more followers were there with his kind of qualifications in the Ashram. He replied that there were at least more than 100 such teachers, who were professionals like doctors, engineers, scientists, etc. He then told me, *"The girl who will be teaching you yoga is a doctor. We are doing this because we are happy doing this. The day we feel we have to go back to our old lives, we are free to go; there is no bondage."*

To conclude, in the process of getting success in life, one tends to forget the real goal of life. If one could make a little less money and spend more time doing what one loves, would that not make you more happier?

A friend of mine left a job at a multinational company in the US and joined as translator in a company at quarter of his original salary. I asked her and she said, I love languages and I love this job. Money is secondary.

Another software engineer joined a library as a librarian. She loved reading books and this made her happy.

So do not trade your happiness for what you think you need. "Things" can never make us happy because they are temporary and limited but experiences can make one happy and last forever. Do not do anything to impress people. It just does not matter. **We become successful by what we get, but we become happy by what we give.** Do you agree ?

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Patrons Day celebrated at Mysore Sports Club

Pramoda Devi Wadiyar being felicitated with a figurine of a galloping horse at the Mysore Sports Club Patrons Day celebration last evening. Seen are Club President Y.P. Udayshankar, Vice-President S. Shankar Rao, Secretary M. Tirumala Babu, Leela Udayshankar, members V. Sunil, M.D. Chandrashekar & Ashwin R. Palegar and Entertainment Committee Chairman T.H. Sanjay Urs.

Mysuru, June 6- Patrons Day was celebrated at Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Wadiyar Sports Club, popularly known as Mysore Sports Club, at its premises here last evening.

Pramoda Devi Wadiyar of the erstwhile royal family inaugurated the celebrations by offering floral tributes to the bust of Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Wadiyar at the Lawns of the Club.

She also launched the exhibition organised as part of Sri Jayachamaraja Wadiyar birth centenary celebrations by Ramsons Kala Prathishtana.

Patrons Day is celebrated in memory of Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Wadiyar (born on June 5), the younger brother of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar.

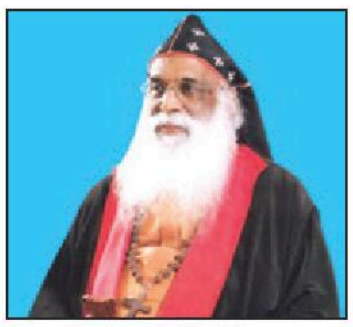
Pramoda Devi, speaking on the occasion, said it was befitting that the Patrons Day was being celebrated in memory of her grand father-in-law, who was known for his humane qualities. Mysore Sports Club should continue following the path of its illustrious predecessors.

On the occasion, she was honoured with a memento of the figurine of a galloping horse. Past President of the Club K.G. Ananth Raj Urs and others were present.

Metropolitan Joseph Mar Thoma arriving in city today

Mysuru, June 6- Dr. Joseph Mar Thoma, the 21st Malankara Metropolitan and the current Primate of the Mar Thoma Syrian Church, will inaugurate the new building of St. Thomas Institutions at Vishwesharanagar tomorrow (June 7) at 10 am.

Metropolitan Joseph Mar Thoma will be arriving in the city today and this is his first visit to Mysuru. The new block for the senior secondary section will be inaugurated and consecrated by his grace Joseph Mar Thoma, Metropolitan of the Church, in the presence of Rev. Dr. Mathews Mar Makarios, Chairman of St. Thomas Institutions, Mysuru.



Dr. Joseph Mar Thoma

Profile of Metropolitan

Dr. Joseph Mar Thoma, Metropolitan, was born on June 27, 1931. After school education in Kozhencherry St. Thomas High School, he graduated from Union Christian College Alwaye. Having dedicated himself to serving the Church, he passed Bachelor of Divinity degree from United Theological College, Bangalore. He was ordained Deacon on June 29, 1957 and Kasessa on October 18, 1957 before being consecrated Bishop on October 2, 2007.

He served as Vicar of Ranni, Kozhikode, Kundara, Madras and Thiruvananthapuram Parishes. He got Master of Divinity and Master of Sacred Theology degrees after higher education in Virginia Seminary, Oxford and Canterbury St. Augustin Colleges.

In 1988 he took charge of Thiruvananthapuram - Kollam Diocese again. In consequence of the unexpected demise of Easow Mar Timotheos Episcopa, he had to take charge of Bombay and Delhi Diocese along with the responsibilities of the Diocese for some years. He organised the starting of Ayoor Mar Thoma College of Science and Technology after procuring land near MC Road for the Diocese.

As Vice-President and President of the National Council of Churches he gave good leadership. He led the joint protest marches at Thiruvananthapuram and Delhi against the denial of justice to Dalit Christians on the basis of religious faith.

In connection with the 80th birthday of Metropolitan, Church inaugurated *Snehakaram* project for the critically ill cancer, kidney and heart patients irrespective of caste and creed. Every year the Church is disbursing about Rs. 50 lakh for the same.

Lifestyle Exhibition by Impressionz

Impressionz has organised a two-day Lifestyle Exhibition at *Hotel Southern Star* in city on June 8 and 9 from 10.30 am to 8.30 pm.

This time it's raining diamonds, gold, silks, cottons, chiffons and much more.

The expo features the following designers:

AVR Jewellers offers a wide range of antique, traditional, precious gem, special occasion wear, ageless and contemporary collection in gold, diamond and platinum crafted by their master craftsmen.

Amrapali are known for its signature magnificent pieces and rare craftsmanship, harmonising classical tradition with modern interpretation of ancient aesthetic and techniques.

Svasa from Chennai creates curated traditional hand embroidered well-fitting ethnic wear such as blouses and gracefully draped hand-woven sarees.

Vishal Kapur has been actively involved in creating innovative collections for fashion applications. He brings uniquely handcrafted on handlooms Chanderi, Benares and Mangalgiri sarees and Dupattas.

Priyashree by Madhaviis brings her signature styled exquisite hand-woven rich Benares and Ikkat Sarees.

Indira Lavanya from Chennai is bringing the softest hand-crafted cotton, linen; smart Benares sarees and trendy blouses to go with them.

Ravage from Bengaluru is known far beyond boundaries of town and country for its clothes that offer sharp silhouettes and imaginative surface

treatments and, yet, are still supremely user-friendly.

Nine Bags Full is bringing in designer labels from across the country like Mayflowera quirky brand for young, trendy women which is global and easier on the pocket.

Zohra and Leela is a clothing brand of Indo western & Indian style, designer outfits to match different occasions by **Sonal Didwania.**

Elegance from Ahmedabad is bringing unstitched cotton, silk and tussar salwar suits.

Redzis offers heavy zardosi Pakistani salwar suits for those occasions that call for extravagance.

Meetakshara has the traditional and smart raw silk and Benares sarees.

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Key Cabinet Committees for Modi Govt. formed

Amit Shah in all 8, PM Narendra Modi, Nirmala Sitharaman in 6, Rajnath Singh in 2 Panels

New Delhi, June 6 (UNI)- Among the eight key Cabinet Committees reconstituted by the Centre, Home Minister Amit Shah finds representation in all of them while Prime Minister is on-board six committees barring Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs and Cabinet Committee on Accommodation.

The lone Cabinet Committee having only PM Modi and Home Minister Shah on-board is Appointments Committee of the Cabinet. Union Minister of Finance Nirmala Sitharaman has been roped-in for six committees, that is, Cabinet Committee on Accommodation, Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs, Cabinet Committee on Political Affairs, Cabinet Committee on Security, Cabinet Committee on Investment and Growth, Cabinet Committee on Employment and Skill Development.

On the other hand, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh finds his say in only two Committees, that is, Cabinet Committee on Security and Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs. Considered one of the most significant Cabinet Committees, the Cabinet Committee on Security also includes the Prime Minister, Shah, Sitharaman and Jaishankar apart from Rajnath Singh.

Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari is in Cabinet Committee on Accommodation, Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, Cabinet Committee on Political Affairs, Cabinet Committee on Investment and Growth. Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas and Minister of Steel, Dharmendra Pradhan is in Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs and Cabinet Committee on Employment and Skill Development.

While Piyush Goyal, Minister of Railways and Minister of Commerce and Industry is on-board five Committees, that is, Cabinet Committee on Employment and Skill Development, Cabinet Committee on Investment and Growth, Cabinet Committee on Political Affairs, Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs and Cabinet Committee on Accommodation.

Interestingly, Smriti Zubin Irani, Minister of Women and Child Development and Textiles has found a place among Special Invitees in the Cabinet Committee on Employment and Skill Development but has not found a place as a member in any of the eight Committees.

The eight committees which have been reconstituted include: Appointments Committee of the Cabinet, Cabinet Committee on Accommodation, Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs, Cabinet Committee on Political Affairs, Cabinet Committee on Security, Cabinet Committee on Investment and Growth and Cabinet Committee on Employment & Skill Development.

City temples pray for Rains

Pujas being performed at Trinayaneshwara Swamy Temple in the Mysore Palace premises this morning.

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The Southwest monsoon — occurring between June and September — brings much of the annual rainfall to Karnataka. In the last two years, monsoon rainfall has been lower than the normal in several parts of the State. The government has also decided to carry out cloud seeding in the last week of this month to bring rain.

About Rishya Shringeshwara temple

D.K. Shivakumar performing puja at Rishya Shringeshwara Temple.

At a distance of 10 kms from Sringeri, Kigga is a beautiful village situated on the banks of Nandini River, a tributary of Tunga. Kigga is famous for Rishya Shringeshwara temple. Dedicated to Rishyashrunga, the temple stands on the site where Sage Rishyashrunga was absorbed in the celestial light. Built during Vijayanagara period, the temple houses a *linga* of a unique shape, with three protuberances resembling horns. There is a belief that if the *linga* is properly worshipped, famine will be averted. It is said, Sage Rishyashrunga's advent ended drought in this place.

High alert for Nipah virus

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DHO Dr. Venkatesh said that as per the circular, an inter-departmental meeting would be held tomorrow in Mysuru after consulting the Directorate of Health and Family Welfare. The Department will educate people and make them aware about the spread of virus.

Nipah is an emerging infectious disease declared to be of health importance in the South-East Asian region. A 23-year-old from Ernakulam district in Kerala has been confirmed to have contracted the virus, and since 2018, 18 cases and 17 deaths have been reported.

The Department of Health and Family Welfare has ordered for the public health activities to be strengthened immediately at the district-level. Districts must identify two beds and ensure that any suspected case is isolated.

Those travelling from the affected regions should be screened for 21 days. The National Institute of Virology (NIV), Pune, has been identified as the laboratory for diagnosis of Nipah virus. Suspected samples must be sent there along with a report to the Department office.

The Deputy Director, Disease Surveillance, Health and Family Welfare Department, said that infected livestock such as pigs, horse, dogs or cats must be isolated as they are an intermediate host. It has also been advised that fruits be washed, peeled or cooked thoroughly before consumption as they could be infected by the bats. Besides, utensils or clothes used in toilets must be washed thoroughly, hand hygiene must be maintained and contact with the affected must be minimal. It is also important to ensure that hands are thoroughly washed after visiting the infected.

Nipah is a virus that can be transferred from animals to humans. It causes fever and cold-like symptoms in patients before quickly advancing to encephalitis, which is inflammation of the brain, and myocarditis, or inflammation of the heart.

There is no vaccine or cure for Nipah infections at present. Those with high-grade fever, nausea, vomiting, throat pain, and headache for a long period of time have been asked to visit a doctor for further evaluation.

Fresh case in Kerala

A year after 17 people died after being infected with the deadly Nipah virus (NiV) in Kerala, a fresh case, a 23-year-old student has been reported from Ernakulam district in the State.

The Kerala government has assured that adequate precautions are being taken to contain the Nipah virus this time and the general public need not panic.

Besides the 23-year-old student, health officials in Kerala have identified 86 people who interacted with the student. They are being observed for possible Nipah virus infection.

Monsoon to hit Kerala today

The Southwest monsoon is likely to hit Kerala coast today evening or tomorrow. Thunderstorms and bouts of heavy rains may lash parts of Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka in the next two to three days ahead of the onset of monsoon.

India Met Department (IMD) predicted the onset to happen around June 6 or 7, which is slightly delayed than the normal date of June 1.

An East-West shear zone featuring monsoon turbulence, an essential determinant of strong onset conditions, is likely to develop across extreme South Peninsula from June 5 onwards. This, the IMD said, would lead to favourable conditions for onset of the monsoon, which would be declared once a series of qualifying conditions are met with.

As if an indication to the arrival of monsoon, it has already started raining in Kodagu. South Kodagu, that borders Kerala, has been receiving rains including parts of Virajpet, Ponnampet, Birunani, Balele and other areas.

Works on to beautify Brindavan Gardens

Mysuru, June 6 (RK&BCT)- The State Government that had announced grandiose plans to convert Brindavan Gardens at Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) reservoir into a Disneyland-type amusement park has sanctioned money to develop a stretch of the garden near the Cauvery Statue.

Horticulture Dept. is developing the Garden in front of the Royal Orchid Hotel near the Cauvery Statue and the Government has released Rs.30 lakh for the purpose. As per the plans, the slope area and the undulating landscape will be beautified and illuminated.

Speaking to *SOM,* Assistant Director of Horticulture Dept. Raju said that the Bougainvillea plants in front of the hotel and surrounding gardens have become an eye sore and they will be removed and a combination of flowering and ornamental plants with white and green combination will be planted to enhance the aesthetics.

Bougainvillea plants were planted 25 years ago and had become monotonous for tourists who usually like to see a change in the garden landscaping. Tourists, who regularly flock Gardens, were disappointed to see same garden every time they visited this place. This has also discouraged them from visiting KRS.

To break the monotony and to increase the aesthetic beauty of the Garden, the State Government has directed the Horticulture Department to take up the beautification works in a phased manner. "Dasara is nearing and we want to rejuvenate and beautify the Garden to attract more and more tourists," he added.

In the first phase, all the Bougainvillea plants will be removed and with the initial Rs.30 lakh funds released by the Government, cleaning and landscaping will be taken up. A wide variety of uniformly flowering plants will be planted in the slope area to create blocks of blooming flowers, he explained.

The white and green plants adjoining the trees will be grown across the Gardens to increase beauty and officials are planning to implement the project before this Dasara. Once the garden is laid, the area will be illuminated. More beautification and landscaping works will be undertaken in the second phase of the project, officials said.

Sasyaradhana: Month-long sapling planting programme launched

District Minister G.T. Devegowda launching 'Sasyaradhana' programme as part of World Environment Day celebrations at Hebbal in city yesterday as MP Pratap Simha's wife Arpita Simha, Vidyavardhaka Sangha President Gundappa Gowda, Secretary P. Vishwanath and others look on.

Mysuru, June 6 (PM&NNN)- District in-Charge and Higher Education Minister G.T. Devegowda (GTD) launched 'Sasyaradhana,' a programme to plant 1,000 saplings in each of the seven Wards in Hebbal during the Environment Month.

By planting a neem sapling near Annapoorneshwari Temple in Hebbal, GTD launched a very significant programme as part of Environment Day celebrations.

This programme is jointly being implemented by 'Sasyaradhana Samiti' that includes Vidhyavardhaka Sangha, Navabharat Nirman Seva Trust and other organisations and the Corporators of the seven Wards.

The Samiti's Convenor is former MLC D. Madegowda, who is leading from the front and efforts are on to plant saplings in vacant places, house premises, and by the roadsides.

The aim of the Samiti is to not only plant 1,000 saplings but also to encourage people residing in houses to come forward to nurture the saplings.

Neem, Honge, Kaadu Badami and other varieties are being planted. Tree guards will also be put up when the saplings are planted on the roadsides but not inside the parks.

The Forest Dept. will be supplying the saplings and the tree guards will be donated by philanthropists. Thus a lot of people are joining hands to make this a successful programme and hence more people should come forward to help, said Madegowda.

MP Pratap Simha's wife Arpita Simha, Corporators K.V. Sridhar, Prema Shankaregowda, former Corporator K.T. Cheluvegowda, Vidyavardhaka Sangha President Gundappa Gowda, Secretary and former Mayor P. Vishwanath and others were present.

Newly-wedded couples gifted saplings on Environment Day

Mysuru, June 6 (RKB&NNN)- Seven couples, who entered into wedlock at a mass marriage organised as part of the seventh anniversary of Sri Kalyana Lakshmivenkataramanaswamy Temple on Dr. Rajkumar Road in Kalyanagiri were gifted saplings by RSS Southern Region Sanghachalak M. Venkatram, on the occasion of World Environment Day yesterday.

Speaking on the occasion, Venkatram said that mass marriages not only help in curbing huge marriage expenses but also help in saving money of the poor. In the current drought situation more and more number of mass marriages must be held. This not only helps in easing the economic burden of the poor and middle class but also helps in bonding between different communities, he added.

Mysuru District Brahmana Sabha President D.T. Prakash said that miscreants and mischief makers are posting disdainful pictures of Hindu Gods on Facebook and Whatsapp and making derogatory remarks which not only hurts the sentiments of the community but also destroys communal harmony. Such miscreants must be identified and punished, he added.

Temple founder H.G. Giridhar said that those couple who prefer simple marriages must be identified and such mass marriages be organised, thus setting an example for others to follow the ideals.

Industrialist Gopinath Shenoy, Film Producer Roopa Iyer, BJP Leader B.P. Manjunath, former Mayor Sandesh Swamy, industrialist Sandeep Nayak, Dr. Mohan, Murali, Anil Thomas,Vikram Iyengar, D.K. Nagabushan, Kadakola Jagadish and others were present.

RSS Southern Region Sangachalak M. Venkatram and film Producer Roopa Iyer distributing saplings to the newly-wedded couples at a mass marriage organised as part of the seventh anniversary of Sri Kalyana Lakshmivenkataramanaswamy Temple on Dr. Rajkumar Road in Kalyanagiri, on the occasion of World Environment Day celebrations as Mysuru District Brahman Sabha President D.T. Prakash, H.G. Giridhar, BJP leader B.P. Manjunath and others look on.

'Dark clouds gather over agri sector due to extreme weather conditions'

BAI Mysuru launches World Environment Month celebrations

Mysuru, June 6- Due to extreme changes in weather conditions, dark clouds have engulfed the agriculture sector, said National Institute of Advanced Studies' Prof. Sindhu Radhakrishna.

She was speaking during the inauguration of the World Environment of Month (WEM) celebrations organised by Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre and Mysuru Builder's Charitable Trust (MBCT) at the MBCT Auditorium in Vishweshwaranagar here yesterday.

*Seen are (from left) **WEM Hon. Secretary C.D. Krishna, MBCT Managing Trustee S.R. Swamy, guest of honour Prof. Sindhu Radhakrishna, chief guest Anand Malligavad, WEM Committee Chairman B.S. Dinesh, BAI National Vice-President K. Sriram and BAI Mysuru Chairman J.V.R. Naidhruva.***

In our country, nearly 85 percent of the farmers are ones with small holdings and they all depend only on rain. Agriculture accounts for 23 percent of GDP (Gross Domestic Product) in the country and it has effect on 70 percent on the self-employment, she said.

Besides, due to raise in temperature, the plants and trees absorb less nitrogen which in turn will affect humans and animals, she added. Since 1880, there is a raise in temperature of .07 degrees Celsius every year. From then till now, there is an increase in temperature of 0.95 degrees Celsius. Even the temperature of the sea has gone up and many countries here are in lot of problems due to environmental changes, she said.

Lake Conservationist Anand Malligavad, the chief guest, who spoke in his own inimitable style, connected with audience instantly. He spoke about the revival of Kelasana Halli lake which he took upon himself to revive after seeing apathy of Government agencies. With minimum Budget, he could revive the lake of 36 acres in record 45 days with dedicated workforce, he added.

Seeing the success, many companies joined hands with him through their CSR and helped him in reviving two more lakes in Bengaluru. His goal is to revive 45 lakes in Bengaluru by 2025.

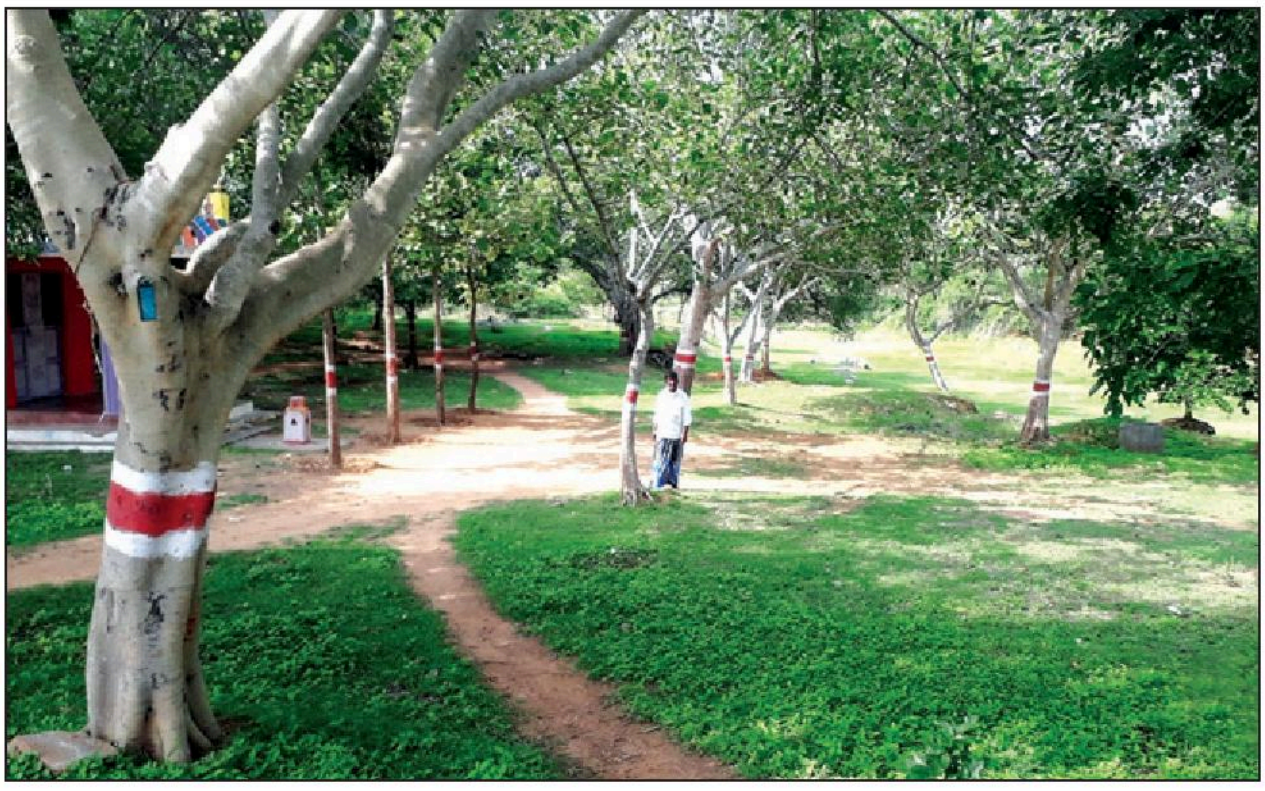
He called upon the audience not to worry about the alarming picture painted by environmentalists but to concentrate on what to do at local level, by themselves in their locality, in their road, and homes by involving themselves in saving the Planet Earth.

BAI National Vice-President K. Sriram appealed to builders not to be satisfied by only planting trees, but to build green-rated buildings as per Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) guidelines.

The programme was inaugurated by all the dignitaries by watering six saplings to signify six years of celebration of WEM by BAI.

BAI Mysuru Centre Chairman J.V.R. Naidhruva, MBCT Managing Trustee S.R. Swamy, WEM Chairman B.S. Dinesh, Secretaries R. Raghunath, T.N. Hemanth, C.D. Krishna, BAI Vice-President K. Shivaram and others were present.

He planted more than 100 trees in a dry village



Mysuru, June 6 (MTY&SD)- At a time when existing plants and trees are coming under axe in the name of development, there are a few who are working honestly to conserve greenery.

Meet **Javaraiah of Bastipura** village in Srirangapatna taluk who has been into this selfless service of nurturing and conserving hundreds of trees from the past three decades, setting an ideal example for others.

Seventy-two-year-old Javaraiah, son of Maraalaiah and Nanjamma of Bastipura, has been tirelessly working as a green activist with a sole aim of contributing something to the society. After his retirement from Mysore Paper Mills, he thought of living his retired life in a meaningful way.

He noticed that there was less green cover in his village particularly around Kalamma Temple and surrounding area including the graveyard.

This lack of green cover had increased temperature and also resulted in depleting ground water levels. Later, he, with the help of his family and fellow villagers, started planting saplings. And he never looked back.

Those saplings which were planted in 1990s all around the village lake, temple premises, graveyard and along the roadside have all now grown tall and big.

The road leading to the temple which is about one kilometre from the village is now well-shaded with green canopy, bringing smiles on the faces of villagers who visit the temple.

One can often find people sitting under the shade of tree on hot summer days.

Villagers, who have high respect for Javaraiah, call him a nature lover and wholeheartedly appreciate his single-minded efforts towards conservation.

Not only did he plant saplings but also ensured that the trees grow to their full potential and protected the same from animals and vandals.

"We should not limit ourselves to selfish motives but strive and work towards contributing to the society which we are part of and this leads to a sense of satisfaction. Instead of sitting idle after my retirement, I thought of planting trees in and around my village. I started planting 8 to 10 varieties of tree saplings including Honge, Peepal, Banyan, Neem and others around the lake, graveyard, and temple and wherever I could find enough space. Villagers supported me in this endeavour in many ways like collecting fine from those persons who harmed the trees that I had planted," says Javaraiah.

"Till now, I have planted more than 100 trees. If somebody who takes shelter on a sunny day remembers me for providing shade, it is enough for me and there can be no greater reward than that. I have also built water tanks for cattle in my village as well as Benkipura and Gowripura of Hunsur using my own money," he adds.

India launches World Cup campaign with six-wicket win over South Africa

Southampton, June 6- India launched their World Cup campaign with a six-wicket win over South Africa at Southampton on Wednesday as the Proteas suffered their third defeat in as many matches this tournament.

South Africa captain Faf du Plessis won the toss and batted but a superb double strike by Jasprit Bumrah left his side reeling.

India leg-spinner Yuzvendra Chahal then took four wickets in a meagre total of 227 for nine.

India, with Rohit Sharma, dropped early in an innings of 122 not out — the highest individual score of the tournament to date — took their time over the chase before winning with 15 balls to spare.

India next play Australia at The Oval on Sunday while South Africa take on West Indies on Monday.

India's Rohit Sharma celebrates after his high score of 122 helped beat South Africa in the World Cup match at Southampton on Wednesday.

BRIEF SCORES

South Africa: 227 for 9 in 50 overs (Chris Morris 42, Fah du Plessis 38, Phehlukwayo 34, Miller 31, Kagiso Rabada 31 n.o., Dussen 22, Y. Chahal 4 for 51, Jasprit Bumrah 2 for 35, Bhuvaneshwar Kumar 2 for 44) lost to **India:** 230 for 4 in 47.3 overs (Rohit Sharma 122 n.o., M.S. Dhoni 34, K.L. Rahul 26, Rabada 2 for 39); **Player of the Match:** Rohit Sharma.

NEW ZEALAND SURVIVE BANGLADESH SCARE

New Zealand survived a dramatic late fightback by Bangladesh to pull off a nervy two-wicket win in their World Cup clash at the Oval on Wednesday. Man-of-the-match Ross Taylor scored a 91-ball 82 before a clatter of wickets gave Bangladesh the chance to pull off a shock win. It needed a 20-run eighth-wicket stand between Mitchell Santner (17 not out) and Matt Henry (six) to bring the target down to seven required in a highly tense atmosphere. Lockie Ferguson (4 not out) and Santner hit a boundary each to seal the win.

The win is New Zealand's second victory after their crushing 10-wicket victory over Sri Lanka, with the team hungry for a first-ever World Cup triumph.

BRIEF SCORES

Bangladesh: 244 in 49.2 overs (Shakib Al Hasan 64, Md. Saifuddin 29, Soumya Sarkar 25, Tamim Iqbal 24, Md.Mithun 26, Matt Henry 4 for 47, Trent Boult 2 for 44) lost to **New Zealand:** 248 for 8 in 47.1 overs (Ross Taylor 82, Williamson 40, Martin Guptill 25, Colin Munro 24, Mehindy Hasan 2 for 47, Shakib Al Hasan 2 for 47, Md. Saifuddin 2 for 41, Mosaddek Hossain 2 for 33); **Player of the Match:** Ross Taylor.

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Bristol County Ground,
Bristol, **3 pm** (IST)

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Seven-wicket win for Mysuru Zone

Bengaluru, June 6- Good batting by skipper S.J. Nikin Jose (60, 93b, 2x4, 1x6) and P. Vishnu (66 n.o., 111b, 4x4) enabled Mysuru Zone to register a good seven-wicket win over Raichur Zone in the KSCA Inter-Mofussil U-23 Cricket Tournament match played at BGS Grounds yesterday.

SCORES

Raichur Zone: 189 in 50 overs (Sourab Muttur 44, Mayur Patil 38, Vijay Reddy 35, M.S. Bhandage 20, Yodhan Hrudhay 2 for 38, M. Utham Aiyappa 3 for 30, Sai Shiv Narayan 2 for 35) lost to **Mysuru Zone:** 190 for 3 in 44.2 overs (S.J. Nikin Jose 60, P. Vishnu 66 n.o., B. Dheemanth 29, Gowtham Sagar 21, Saddam Hussain 2 for 35).

Helping Hands provides to-and-fro train tickets to New Delhi for 19 Kabaddi players

They will be representing Karnataka at National Championship to be held at Panipat, Haryana

Mysuru, June 6 (RKB&US)- Helping Hands, a Jain youth organisation, distributed to-and-fro train tickets to New Delhi from Mysuru to 19 needy and talented students, who are selected for representing Karnataka at the National Kabaddi Championship to be held at Panipat, Haryana, from June 9 to 12, at Kabutar Daan venue near Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple here yesterday.

The 19 students are part of a contingent of 34 representing Karnataka at the National Kabaddi Championship under two categories — Under-12 and Under-17 years.

The 19 students hail from Kyathamaranahalli, Gandhinagar, Gayatripuram, Udayagiri, Shantinagar and nearby areas. Among them are the U-12 Captain Manchamma and U-17 Captain Sultana.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Sultana said that they were practicing Kabaddi for the last four years. She added that just last week she had returned from Maharashtra after participating in the National Gymnastics Championship where Karnataka won the Team Championship, exuding confidence in bagging the title in Kabaddi also.

Helping Hands President Mahaveer Chand Khabiya, Vice-President Anandraj Patwa, Treasurer Rajan Baghmar, Members Manoharlal Sankla, Sunil Patwa, Pavan Sancheti, Jambu Lodha, Dinesh Bohra, Team Manager Ravi and Coach Eliyas Pasha were present.

Den Thimmaya declared fastest driver

Roopesh Team 53 Champion

Kodagu, June 6- Den Thimmaya was declared the fastest driver and B.J. Roopesh, team 53 Race Champion at the National-level Four-Wheeler Track Race event held at the field belonging to Chendanda Chimmi Poovaiah near Siddapura in Virajpet taluk of Kodagu district recently.

Apart from those in the State, contestants from outside the State too took part in this Championship. The winners in various events are as follows:

800 Class: Vivek Mudigere - First prize; Chomanda Somanna - Second prize.

1100 Class: C.K. Somanna - First; Dheeraj - Second.

1400 Class: Ismail - First; Hayath Munna - Second.

1600 Class: Dhruva Chandrashekar - First; Roopesh - Second.

Coorg Open Class: Koravanda Thimmaiah - First; B.K. Manjunath - Second.

Nonis Class: B.K. Manjunath - First; Ankita Ponnappa - Second.

Roll Guage Class: B.J. Roopesh - First; D.K. Manjunath - Second.

Unrestricted Class: Den Thimmaya - First; D.K. Manjunath - Second.

Indian Open Class: B.K. Roopesh - First; Den Thimmaya - Second.

Gypsy Open Class: Gagan Karumbaiah - First; Sachin Murthy - Second.

Jeep Class: Atul Thomas - First prize; Ichhettira Nanaiah - Second.

Ladies Class: Harshitha Gowda - First; Cean Sequera - Second.

Team 53 Head Chendanda Chimmi Poovaiah, V.K. Lokesh, Joseph Shyam, Santosh Sequera and other dignitaries distributed prizes to the winners.

Journalist R. Subramani was honoured with 'Team 53 Journalist of the Year' Award on the occasion.

MYSORE TRAIN TIMINGS

Train No.	Name	Dep. Mys	Arr. B'lore	Dep. B'lore	Arr. Mys
22818/22817	Mysore-Howrah Weekly Express	12.30 am (Mon)	02.50 am (Mon)	01.00 am (Sun)	03.45 am (Sun)
12610/12609	Mysuru-Chennai Express (Super Fast)	04.45 am	07.45 am	08.10 pm	11.30 pm
16217/16218	Mysore-Sainagar Shirdi Weekly Express	05.30 am (Mon)	08.00 am (Mon)	03.30 am (Thu)	06.00am (Thu)
17326/17325	Vishwa Manava Express (Hubballi-Mysuru-Hubballi Daily)	05.50 am	08.55 am	05.45 pm	08.40 pm
[NOTE: This extended train 17326 departs Ashokapuram at 5.15 am to reach Mysore City Railway Station at 5.25 am; Similarly, on arrival, Train No. 17325 will leave Mysore City Railway Station at 8.55 pm to reach Ashokapuram at 9.15 pm].					
56231/56232	Mysore-Bangalore Passenger	06.10 am	09.15 am	09.20 am	12.45 pm
16215/16216	Chamundi Express	06.45 am	09.30 am	06.15 pm	09.05 pm
12578/12577	Mysore-Dharbanga Weekly Express	07.20 am (Sat)	09.55 am (Sat)	08.50 pm (Thu)	11.30 pm (Thu)
16229/16230	Mysore-Varanasi Bi-weekly Express	07.20 am	09.55 am	12.15 am	02.45 am
		(Tue & Thu)		(Sunday and Tuesday)	
16023/16024	Mysore-Yelahanka-Malgudi Exp. (Super Fast)	08.25 am	10.55 am	01.30 pm	04.00 pm
56281/56282	Chamarajnagar-Bangalore Passenger	09.05 am	12.40 pm	03.30 pm	06.40 pm
19668/19667	Palace Queen Weekly Humsafar Express (Mysuru-Udaipur City-Mysuru)	10.00 am (Thu)	12.10 pm (Thu)	01.50 pm (Wed)	04.25 pm (Wed)
12975/12976	Jaipur Express (Super Fast)	10.30 am	12.55 pm	01.00 pm	03.45 pm
		(Thursday and Saturday)		(Wednesday and Friday)	

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12613/12614	Tipu Express (Super Fast)	11.30 am	02.00 pm	03.15 pm	05.45 pm
17307/17308	Mysore-Bagalkot Basava Express	01.30 pm	04.30 pm	11.15 am	01.50 pm
12008/12007	Shatabdi-Express (except Wednesdays)	02.15 pm	04.15 pm	11.00 am	01.00 pm
16557/16558	Mysore-Bangalore Rajya Rani Express	02.30 pm	05.10 pm	10.30 am	01.30 pm
12786/12785	Kacheguda-Bengaluru Express	02.45 pm	05.40 pm	06.40 am	09.40 am
56237/56238	Mysore-Bangalore Passenger	03.00 pm	06.15 pm	07.00 pm	10.20 pm
16535/16536	Mysore-Solapur Golgumbaz Express	03.30 pm	06.30 pm	08.05 am	11.00 am
16232/16231	Mysore-Mayiladuthurai (Super Fast)	04.15 pm	06.45 pm	06.00 am	08.30 am
16219/16220	Tirupati Express	05.00 pm	08.25 pm	07.20 am	10.20 am
16236/16235	MysoreTuticorn Express	06.05 pm	09.00 pm	07.00 am	10.10 am
16210/16209	Mysore-AjmerMysore Express	06.35 pm	09.30 pm	03.30 am	06.00 am
		(Tuesday and Thursday)		(Sunday and Tuesday)	
16592/16591	Mysore-Hubli Hampi Express	07.00 pm	09.55 pm	06.20 am	09.10 am
16227/16228	Mysore-Talaguppa-Mysore Express	07.30 pm	10.30 pm	04.30 am	07.45 am
22681/22682	Mysore-Chennai Weekly SF Express	08.10 pm (Wed)	10.50 pm (Wed)	05.35 am (Fri)	08.10 am (Fri)
16022/16021	Cauvery Express (to Chennai)	09.00 pm	11.45 pm	04.00 am	06.40 am
11065/11066	Mysore-Renigunta Express	10.55 pm (Fri)	01.19 am (Sat)	12.30 am (Sun)	03.10am(Sun)
06576/06575	Mysuru-KSR B'luru City MEMU Special	11.05 pm	01.50 am	07.50 pm	10.40 pm
		(Wed, Thursday, Fri & Saturday)		(Wed, Thur, Friday & Saturday)	
56263/56264	Mysore-Bangalore Passenger	11.55 pm	04.15 am	11.55 pm	04.15 am

TOWARDS NANJANGUD /CHAMARAJNAGAR (Passengers)

Train No.	Name	Dep. Mys	Arr. Ch'nagar	Dep. Ch'nagar	Arr. Mys
56202/56281	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	05.00 am	06.40 am	07.00 am	09.00 am
56204/56203	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	07.20 am	09.10 am	12.40 pm	02.35 pm
56206/56205	Mysore-Nanjangud	09.00 am	09.55 am (N'gud)	10.45 am (N'gud)	11.45 am
16220/16219	Tirupati-Chamarajanagar	10.30 am	12.30 pm	03.10 pm	04.45 pm
56210/56209	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	12.35 pm	02.35 pm	06.00 pm	08.00 pm
56208/56207	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	03.00 pm	04.40 pm	04.55 pm	06.40 pm
56282/56201	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	06.45 pm	08.40pm	08.55 pm	10.45 pm

TOWARDS HASSAN/ ARSIKERE

Train No.	Name	Dep. Mys	Arr. A'kere	Dep. A'kere	Arr. Mys
11036/11035	Mysore-Dadar Sharavathi Express	06.15 am	09.10 am	06.05 pm	09.40 pm
		(Sunday)		(Friday)	
56266/56265	Mysore-Arsikere Passenger	06.30 am	10.40 am	05.30 pm	09.30 pm
56216/56215	Mysore-Hassan-Yesvantpur Passenger	07.45 am	03.40 pm (Yesvantpur)	12.15 pm (Yesvantpur)	08.05 pm
56270/56269	Mysore-Shimoga Town Passenger	10.20 am	01.45 pm	12.30 pm	04.30 pm
56268/56267	Mysore-Arsikere Passenger	06.20 pm	10.40 pm	05.00 am	09.25 am
12781/12782	Mysore-Nizamuddin (New Delhi) Swarna Jayanthi Superfast Weekly Exp.	08.10 pm	11.05 pm	01.40 am	04.55 am
		(Friday)		(Wednesday)	
17301/17302	Mysore-Dharwad Express	10.30 pm	01.30 am	03.10 am	07.05 am
		Dep. Mys	Arr. Shimoga	Dep. Shimoga	Arr.Mys
16206/16205	Mysore-Talaguppa Express	06.00 am	10.53 am	04.40 pm	10.15 pm
56276/56275	Mysore-Shimoga Passenger	02.00 pm	08.55 pm	07.50 am	02.50 pm

TOWARDS BANGALORE/ MANGALORE

Train No.	Name	Departure	Arrival
16517/16523	Bengaluru-Kannur / Karwar Express	08.30 pm (B'lore)	11.00 pm (Mysore) [Sunday, Monday & Tuesday]
16518/16524	Kannur/ Karwar-Bengaluru Express	05.30 am (Mysore)	08.00 am (B'lore) [Friday, Saturday & Sunday]

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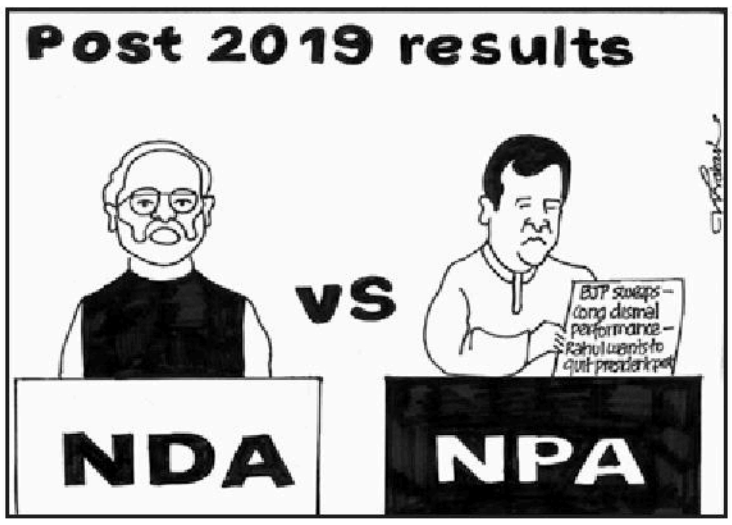
By N. Prakash



Calling MIS Counsellors

Mysuru, June 6 (US)- Mysuru Zilla Panchayat has invited applications from candidates who have passed BE (Computer Science), M.Sc (Computer Science) and MCA with three years experience in the field of water conservation, cleanliness campaigns and rural development for appointment as **Management Information System (MIS) Counsellors** to manage technical aspects of Swachh Bharat Mission and guide Panchayat Development Officers (PDOs).

The candidate should have knowledge of MS Office and Kannada software with good communication skills in Kannada and English. The upper age limit is 45 years.

The appointment will be on contract basis for a period of 11 months. Candidates can submit the application with necessary documents on June 14 before 5 pm to the ZP CEO at Zilla Panchayat Office. For details, visit *www.mysore.nic.in,* according to a press release.

CESC Public Grievances Meet on June 12

Mysuru, June 6- Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has organised a public grievances meet for the power consumers of Bannur Sub-Division at its office premises on June 12 from 11 am to 1 pm.

People of the division coming under Gram Panchayats like Bannur, Attahalli, Kethupura, Rangasamudra Beedanahalli, Hanumanalu, Kodagahalli, B.C. Halli, Hegguru, Maliyuru, Thuraganuru, Ankanahalli, Chidravalli, Chamanahalli and Makanahalli may air their grievances at the meeting.

It has also organised a public grievances meeting for power consumers of T. Narasipur Sub-Division on the same day from 3 pm to 5 pm at the CESC Office in the town.

People of the division coming under Gram Panchayats like Bairapura, Kiragasuru, Gargeshwari, Hosakote, Tumbala, Muguru, Vatal, Kottegala, Alagudu, Kurahatti, Madapura, Hemmige, T. Doddapura, Kaliyuru, Talakadu, B.C. Halli, Holesalu, Benakanahalli, Doddebagilu, Kolattur, Muttalawadi, Somanathapura, Sosale and Ukkalagere can make use of the meeting.

Consumers of both Sub-Divisions can air their grievances regarding power supply and resolve the issues, according to a press release from the Executive Engineer, Nanjangud CESC Division.

Issue bus pass to students: KSRTC MD

Mysuru, June 6 (SPN&SR)- The Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) Chief Traffic Manager has directed all the districts Divisional Controllers to distribute bus passes to school and college students as classes have already started for the academic year across the State.

The circular issued by the Chief Traffic Manager on Monday stated that the Corporation had received a lot of letters from the heads of various educational institutions to complete the process of distribution of bus passes to students as PUC classes had already begun from May 20 in many parts of the State.

The Director of PU Education had also written a letter to the KSRTC to expedite the process of distribution of bus passes to students and ensure that the students do not miss the classes.

Assembly elections anytime, says Muralidhar Rao

Newly-elected BJP MPs, who were felicitated by the State Unit of the Party at a programme organised at the Palace Grounds in Bengaluru yesterday.

Bengaluru, June 6 (KMS&DM)- BJP General Secretary P. Muralidhar Rao on Wednesday predicted that the JD(S)-Congress Coalition Government in the State was set to collapse any moment, leading to fresh Assembly polls.

Rao was addressing the party workers at a programme organised by the BJP to felicitate its newly elected MPs from the State at Palace Grounds in Bengaluru yesterday.

Maintaining that everyone in the ruling coalition was trying to bring down the other, which will result in the collapse of the government itself, Rao called upon the BJP workers to be ready for Assembly polls, which may happen anytime.

Asserting that the BJP would not indulge in 'Operation Lotus' to topple the Government, he claimed that there was no need for the BJP to take up the operation as people themselves have performed an operation on the coalition partners by defeating the JD(S) and Congress candidates in the LS polls.

Continuing his tirade against the Coalition Government, Rao said that the State Government does not have the people's mandate as the coalition candidates were routed in the LS polls. The people themselves will do an operation and throw out the government, he added.

In his address, State BJP Chief and former CM B.S. Yeddyurappa (BSY) claimed that a large number of leaders from the coalition partners were eager to join the BJP.

Hitting back at former CM Siddharamaiah for his criticism on BJP for not giving any Ministerial berth at the Centre to any dalit MP from Karnataka despite the party winning all seven reserved seats, Yeddyurappa said the BJP Central leadership was set to include a dalit MP from the State in the Ministry during expansion.

Yeddyurappa also questioned Siddharamaiah on whether the CLP leader would make Dalit Deputy CM Dr.G. Parameshwara the Chief Minister of Karnataka.

Maintaining that the countdown of the Coalition Government had begun with internal squabbling amongst the coalition partners touching peak, Yeddyurappa alleged that the State Government had failed on all fronts.

All the BJP MPs were felicitated and were presented with a book on the Constitution, along with a sapling to mark World Environment Day on the occasion.

BSY announces tour of drought-hit areas: In a move apparently seen as an attempt to checkmate Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, BJP State Chief B.S. Yeddyurappa will tour North Karnataka to access the drought situation.

Yeddyurappa will commence his tour on June 7 by visiting Badami Assembly segment, which Siddharamaiah represents and then Hungund in Bagalkot district. On June 8, he will visit Koppal and Lingasugur. On June 9, BSY will got to Yadgir and Gurmitkal where Kumaraswamy plans to launch his *Grama Vastavya* (village stay) programme later this month.

State Cabinet expansion put on hold as internal bickerings escalate in Congress

Bengaluru, June 6(KMS&DM)- With the Congress mired in a battle between old and migrant party leaders, the much anticipated State Cabinet expansion has been put on hold by the Congress Central leadership.

Even as speculations began gaining ground that independent legislators and migrant party leaders were set to be included in the expansion of the Coalition Government, senior Congress leaders, upset over the development began to attack the party leadership questioning the move and their leadership capabilities.

Senior party legislators Roshan Baig and Ramalinga Reddy, who are also former Ministers, had lashed out at CLP leader Siddharamaiah for ignoring them.

Veteran Congress leaders Mallikarjun Kharge, K.H. Muniyappa, Veerappa Moily and others who lost in the LS polls are said to be utilising the proposed Cabinet expansion as part of their design to gain control over the party affairs in the State.

The senior Congress leaders maintain that CLP leader and former CM Siddharamaiah, who is a migrant Congress leader and KPCC President Dinesh Gundu Rao were entirely responsible for the party's dismal performance in the LS polls.

In another development, another senior Congress leader H.K. Patil too is upset over the ruling Coalition Government. He has called for the intervention of AICC President Rahul Gandhi for resolving the crisis brewing in the State Congress with senior party leaders openly revolting against Siddharamaiah's leadership and his inability to take along all leaders into confidence.

Siddharamaiah

Amidst all these developments, Siddharamaiah who spoke to press persons after attending Ramzan prayers at Chamarajpet Eidgah Maidan in the State capital on Wednesday, ruled out any Cabinet reshuffle for now.

Maintaining that discussions were going on only to fill up one vacancy, which was due to the death of Congress Minister C.S. Shivalli, the CLP leader reiterated that there will be no Cabinet expansion or reshuffle for now.

Referring to Ramalinga Reddy's out burst, Siddharamaiah said that Reddy can become a Minister when the Cabinet reshuffle exercise will take place.

Siddharamaiah also rubbished the claims of senior JD(S) leader A.H. Vishwanath, who recently quit his post as JD(S) State President that he (Siddu) was responsible for former PM Deve Gowda's defeat in Tumakuru. He also claimed that there was no such thing as old or migrant leaders in the Congress and everyone are treated on par.

Tanveer Sait

Meanwhile, NR MLA Tanveer Sait speaking to media persons in Mysuru after Eid prayers on Wednesday, said that there was truth in Ramalinga Reddy and Roshan Baig's outbursts against the State Congress leadership.

Maintaining that the two were senior leaders who do not speak lightly, Sait claimed that honest leaders were finding it difficult to get space in Congress.

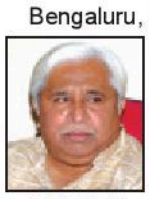
Replying to a query on his Cabinet aspirations, Sait said that he was a politician and not a '*Sanyasi*' to let go an opportunity for power.

Regretting the lack of coalition dharma among both the Congress and JD(S), Sait said it was high time for the leaders of the two parties to correct the mistakes and get along.

Sait refused to comment on the resignation of A.H. Vishwanath as the State JD(S) Chief, saying that it was not a matter of the Congress party.

H.K. Patil calls for meeting of senior Congress leaders

Bengaluru, June 6(KMS&DM)- Even as the recent outbursts of senior Congress legislators and former Ministers Ramalinga Reddy and Roshan Baig has rattled the State Congress, another veteran party leader H.K. Patil has urged the party high command to immediately convene a meeting of senior congress leaders to resolve issues haunting the party.


H.K. Patil

Speaking to press persons here yesterday, Patil said that it was imperative for the party high command to talk to senior leaders as internal dissensions had hit the party hard, with the party getting a drubbing in the just concluded LS polls.

Referring to verbal attacks by some Congress leaders against CLP leader Siddharamaiah, H.K. Patil, an MLA from Gadag and a former Minister said that AICC President Rahul Gandhi should take this issue seriously and draw up plans for strengthening the party. He also said that he has written a letter to Minister K.J. George reminding him on the outstanding dues that is to be paid by JSW Company (Jindal Company) to the State Government.

The senior Congress leader had objected to the State Government's decision to sell 3,666 acres of land in Ballari district to the company for mining purposes.

WORD OF THE DAY

Obfuscate

Pronunciation: /ˈɒbfʌskeɪt/
Meaning: Make obscure or unclear or unintelligible.
Origin: Some people are experts at obfuscating the truth by being evasive, unclear, or obscure in the telling of the facts. The people who are good at obfuscating would include defense lawyers and teenagers asked about their plans for Saturday night.
Although the verb obfuscate can be used in any case where something is darkened, less clear, or more obscure, it is most frequently used in reference to things like ideas, facts, issues, or the truth. The usual implied meaning is that this obfuscation is done deliberately. Politicians often obfuscate the truth about the issues to win support for their positions so they can win elections..
Example: The Mueller report explains what the President continues to obfuscate: how Russia pushed us to this brink. — Seattle TimesMay 30, 2019. "Although it might not be illegal to obfuscate how encrypted data is recovered, it is certainly dishonest and predatory."

THE ODD WORD

Onolatry

The worship of donkeys or asses.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

O Romeo, Romeo! Wherefore art thou Romeo?

Meaning: Here wherefore means why, not where.
Origin: This is one of Shakespeare's best known lines - from, of course, *Romeo and Juliet,* 1592.
Romeo, Romeo! wherefore art thou RomeoThe 'wherefore' here means why rather than where. What Juliet is asking, in allusion to the feud between her Capulet family and Romeo's Montague clan, is 'Romeo, why are you a Montague?' Their love is impossible because of their family names and she asks him to change his allegiance, or else she will change hers.

QUOTE BOX

We are domesticated animals, revolving in a cage which we have built for ourselves — with its contentions, wranglings, its impossible political leaders, its gurus who exploit our self-conceit and their own with great refinement or rather crudely. **—Jiddu Krishnamurti**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus below:

Answer: Overseas travel.

SUDOKU

			7					
	6	5		2			7	
	2		8				1	9
7		2						
6		1				4		2
						7		5
3	9				1		2	
	1			6		3	4	
					2			

Answer to previous puzzle

4	8	3	2	7	6	9	5	1
7	1	9	4	3	5	2	6	8
2	5	6	8	9	1	3	4	7
6	4	7	9	5	8	1	3	2
9	3	8	6	1	2	5	7	4
5	2	1	3	4	7	6	8	9
8	9	4	5	2	3	7	1	6
1	6	5	7	8	9	4	2	3
3	7	2	1	6	4	8	9	5

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 ___ Paar: 1954 Guru Dutt movie
4 A clumsy or a stupid person
7 Sorrow
9 Ten million, in our country?
12 Small, unpretentious restaurant
13 Ringworm - "ate in" anagram?
14 Nearer
15 Landed property
17 Famous Hindi movie of days gone by - "An a" anagram?
18 Large marble
20 Seed to put the "lid" back?
21 Matinee ____ : famous and popular cine-star?
22 Mr Blair of England
23 Excellent and distinguished
27 Mystic symbol
28 Be dizzy?
29 Trip cause
30 One who imitates
32 Cloth fragment
35 Unemotional
37 Conviviality
39 Adversary
40 An aromatic herb referred to in the Bible
41 ___ in : enjoy greatly?
42 Begin and seem likely to continue? (3,2)
43 Designer's monogram
44 Amitabh and Pran's action thriller

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	Y	N		P	S	S	T			N	T	H
G	O	A		L	I	E	I	N		A	O	A
E	G	G		O	R	A	T	E		R	O	T
D	I	S	H	Y				S	A	C	K	S
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C	E	A	T		H	U	T		E	Y	E	D
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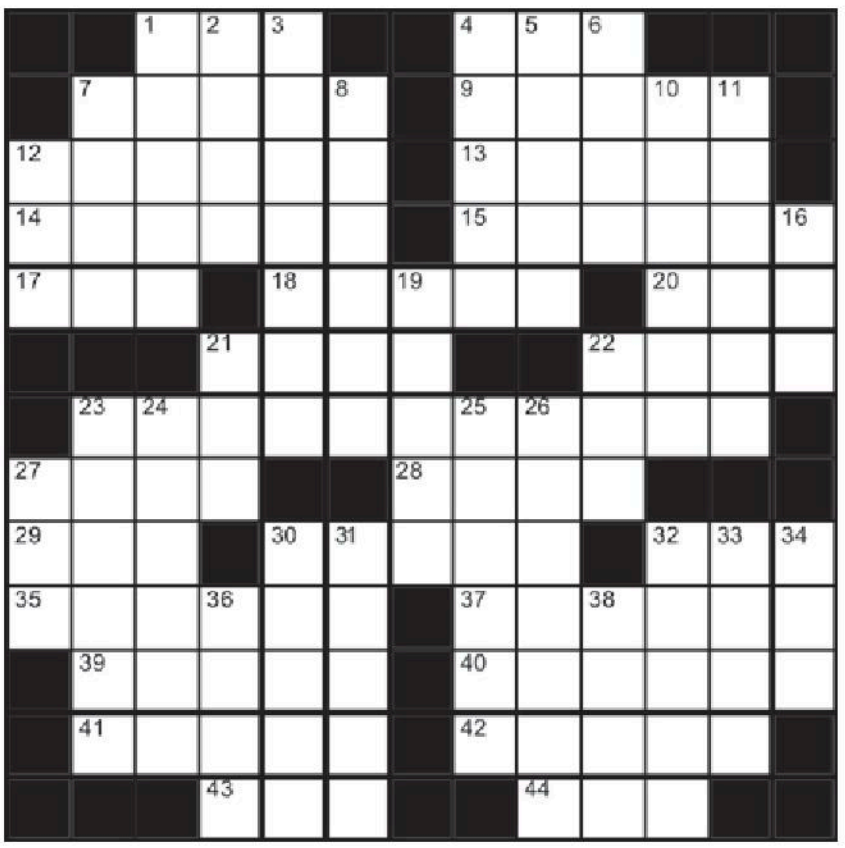
B	O	R	G		L	A	O		D	U	L	Y
			Y	S	L		S	U	M			
C	R	E	P	E			P	E	C	A	N	
H	A	M		A	T	L	A	S		L	A	U
E	M	U		T	R	A	D	E		A	R	M
W	A	S			I	G	E	T		W	E	B

DOWN

1 Criminal fire-raising
2 Islands - "its a" change?
3 Studies again (2-5)
4 Musical piece for eight voices or instruments
5 Cause a rebellion
6 Type of type?
7 A monster - "I gal" anagram?
8 Failed to recall
10 Continue to go through the novel, perhaps (4,2)
11 ___ out : going out for a meal, perhaps?
12 Boeing Commercial Airplanes
16 East Anglian city
19 Frighten
21 Suffix denoting native or inhabitant
22 The sesame plant
23 An ejection or eviction; dispossession
24 Unfastened or brought to ruin
25 Sounds like a horse?
26 Rotted or putrefied
27 Literary monogram
30 Acts with gestures without words
31 Short work describing peaceful, pleasant rural life
32 Gummy sap
33 Like _ ___ of bricks : rather heavily? (1,3)
34 Swindle
36 Tax; duty
38 Analogy words



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

XL LXV BDX OV MUSAZ DEE LH ZAV ZUWV, OPZ UZ

AVEYN ZL OV MUSAZ WLNZ LH ZAV ZUWV

TODAY'S CLUE: X EQUALS N

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: What we do for ourselves dies with us. What we do for others and the world remains and is immortal.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Amar	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Weekend	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
ENGLISH			
Godzilla 2: King of Monsters	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
HINDI			
Bharat	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
TAMIL			
NGK	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Devi-2	Padma	2521923	2 Shows
	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Maharshi	Padma	2521923	2 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
--	Uma	2520009	4 Shows

DRC — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Aladdin (E-3D)	(S-1)	11.00 am, 4.30 pm
X-Men: Dark Phoenix (E)	(S-1)	1.45 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	7.20 pm
Bharat (H)	(S-1)	7.00 pm
	(S-4)	10.15 am, 1.15 pm
		4.15 pm, 9.55 pm
Amar (K)	(S-2)	10.55 am, 4.15 pm
		7.05 pm, 9.55 pm
Bell Bottom (K)	(S-2)	1.35 pm
Godzilla II	(S-3)	10.30 am
NGK (Ta)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Maharshi (Te)	(S-3)	3.55 pm
PM Narendra Modi (H)	(S-3)	7.15 pm

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Amar (K)	(S-2)	10.40 am, 1.25 pm
		4.10 pm, 6.55 pm
Aladdin (E-3D)	(S-1)	7.05 pm
PM Narendra Modi (H)	(S-4	9.30 pm
Godzilla II: King of Monsters (E)	(S-4)	10.20 pm
	(S-2)	9.40 pm
	(S-3)	1.25 pm, 4.15 pm, 7.05 pm
NGK (Ta)	(S-1)	10.15 pm, 4.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Devi 2 (Ta)	(S-1)	1.20 pm
Suvarna Sundari (K)	(S-4)	1.10 pm
Kamarottu Checkpost (K)	(S-4)	3.50 pm
Omme Nishabda		
Omme Yuddha (K)	(S-4)	6.55 pm
Falakuma Das (Te)	(S-3)	10.20 am, 9.55 pm

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Godzilla 2: King of the Monsters (E)	9.20 am, 1.30 pm, 4.20 pm
	7.10 pm, 10.00 pm
Aladdin (E-3D)	9.50 am, 12.40 pm, 6.50 pm
NGK (Ta)	10.10 am, 12.10 pm, 6.30 pm
Devi 2 (Ta)	10.25 am, 3.40 pm, 9.40 pm
Amar (K)	1.10 pm, 7.00 pm
Falaknuma Das (Te)	3.35 pm, 9.50 pm
Suvarna Sundari (K)	4.10 pm
PM Narendra Modi (H)	10.00 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

Mangalore Fire and Safety
Institute gets NSDC recognition

Mysuru, June 6- Mangalore Institute of Fire and Safety Engineering (MIFSE), which started the courses in the safety sector for the first time in the State in 2007, has in the last 13 years opened 12 branches in different parts of the country and been responsible for guiding thousands of students to get jobs. The National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), recognising the work of MIFSE in providing training to students in fire and safety aspects and creating job opportunities, has given recognition to the institute.

The agreement for this special recognition was signed by MIFSE Managing Director Vinod K. John and NSDC Managing Director Manish Kumar on May 3. According to this special agreement, from this coming academic year, the students who pass out of Fire and Safety courses will get MIFSE and NSDC joint certificate. In the future, the students who pass out of this course will not only be eligible to get jobs in the country but also easily get jobs abroad because of this special recognition.

MIFSE, which started the course in 2007 with recognition from Karnataka Government in Mangaluru, had just 25 students in the first batch. However, the Institute was successful in 100 percent placements.

Later, with recognition of Mangalore University, MIFSE started offering Diploma in Fire and Industrial Safety. Hundreds of students who passed out were immediately able to get jobs abroad.

In 2009, MIFSE opened branches in Bengaluru, Mysuru, Shivamogga, Davangere and Udupi and started offering Diploma and PG Diploma in Fire and Safety courses. In 2013, it got the recognition of University of Mysore and began Diploma and PG Diploma in HSE (Health, Safety and Environment) courses. Recognising this, the World Achievers Organisation presented the Indian Education Excellence Award - 2015 and Asian Education Summit Award - 2016 and thus, MIFSE was identified as the first institute in Fire and Safety institute in the country to get this recognition.

In 2016, through Bangalore University it offered Diploma and PG Diploma in Industrial & Construction Safety Management. Besides in 2017 for the first time, it offered a degree course through Kuvempu University for its students. With the recognition from NSDC, it will help MIFSE to grow not only at the national level but at the international level too, said Vinod John.

MIFSE Managing Director Vinod K. John** (left) **and NSDC Managing Director Manish Kumar exchanging agreement copies.

2019-20 admissions begin

The admissions for the 2019-20 academic year for the courses offered by MIFSE which has got the NSDC recognition has begun from June in all its 12 branches in the country. Interested students may visit the nearest MIFSE branch and get the admission. The phone numbers of the branches are as follows:

Mangaluru: 70222-89933; Bengaluru - Malleswaram: 91416-56533; Bengaluru - Banashankari: 70226-17933; Mysuru: 90087-17027; Davanagere: 99169-26933; Shivamogga: 99860-73933; Udupi: 96111-98123; Hubballi: 95381-19233; Hospet: 96115-28884; Tumakuru: 96115-20010 and Belagavi: 70226-18933.

EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 6)

Solitaire Art Gallery: 'Splendour of water colours,' an exhibition of painting by H.P. Rangaswamy, Gallery premises, 9th Cross, near Ganesha Temple, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **up to 7 pm.**

Parampare: Discourse on "Kautilya's Arthashastra," lecture on 'Other Sanskrit works based on Arthashastra' by **Arjun Bharadwaj,** poet, engineer and musician, Nadabrahma Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm to 8 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Sri Durga Sapthashati,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Sri Raghavendraswamygala Vrindavana Sannidhana - Abhinava Mantralaya, Krishnamurthypuram: 75th Vardhantotsava of Sri Raghavendraswamy Mrittika Vrindavana Pratishtapane, discourse on 'Srimanmahabharata Virataparva' by Vid. Kheda Krishnacharya, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JUNE 7)

Sri Raghavendraswamygala Vrindavana Sannidhana - Abhinava Mantralaya, Krishnamurthypuram: 75th Vardhantitsava of Sri Raghavendraswamy Mrittika Vrindavana Pratishtapane, discourse on 'Srimanmahabharata Virataparva' by Vid. Kheda Krishnacharya, **9.30 am to 10.30 am and 6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Solitaire Art Gallery: 'Splendour of water colours,' an exhibition of painting by H.P. Rangaswamy, Gallery premises, 9th Cross, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **10 am to 7 pm.**

Parampare: Discourse on "Kautilya's Arthashastra," lecture on 'Principles of Arthashastra in Ramayana, Mahabharata and Rajadharma' by Dr. H.V. Nagaraja Rao, Scholar of international stature in Sanskrit language, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm to 8 pm.**

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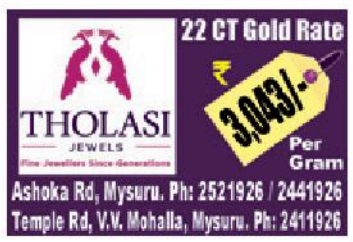

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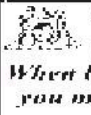

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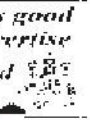

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